

Amendments to the Claims:

Kindly amend the claims, without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents, as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An absorptive product, which comprises an absorptive body that can absorb and retain a liquid and a flexible and liquid-impermeable trap portion to temporarily trap the liquid that is to be absorbed by this absorptive body, and that at least a part of said absorptive body and said trap portion are made to overlap, wherein said trap portion holds at least one end of said absorptive body in a pocket formed of at least a backup sheet, and wherein a cross section of said trap portion has said absorptive body.
2. (Previously Presented) The absorptive product, according to claim 1, wherein said trap portion is formed with a liquid-impermeable sheet, and the surface of this sheet and at least a part of said absorptive body are made to overlap.
3. (Previously Presented) The absorptive product, according to claim 2, wherein said trap portion has an opening facing the surface of said sheet, wherein said opening is formed by a backup sheet and a trap sheet.
4. (Previously Presented) The absorptive product, according to claim 3, wherein said opening is extended along said absorptive body in a longitudinal direction.
5. (Previously Presented) The absorptive product, according to claim 3, wherein said opening is extended along said absorptive body in a width direction.
6. (Previously Presented) The absorptive product, according to claim 3, wherein said absorptive body is positioned to straddle said opening.

7. (Previously Presented) The absorptive product, according to claim 6, wherein said absorptive body has a continuous aperture from the opposite side of the surface of said sheet, wherein said continuous aperture faces said opening of said trap portion.

8. (Previously Presented) The absorptive product, according to claim 2, wherein said sheet has a pair of flaps extended along both width-directional side edges of said absorptive body, and said trap portion is formed in each of this pair of flaps.

9. (Previously Presented) The absorptive product, according to claim 1, wherein said trap portion is positioned on both width-directional sides of said absorptive body.

10. (Currently Amended) The absorptive product, according to claim 1, wherein a guiding member to guide the liquid trapped in said trap portion to the absorptive body is further provided, wherein said guiding member is a guiding sheet different from said backup sheet.

11. (Currently Amended) The absorptive product, according to claim 1, wherein said trap portion is formed with a liquid-impermeable sheet, and has a penis-guiding section to guide the penis into it, while at least one end of said absorptive body is held in said trap portion, wherein said penis-guiding section is different from said opening.

12. (Previously Presented) The absorptive product, according to claim 1, wherein said trap portion has an outer bag, with a penis-guiding section to guide the penis into it, and a flexible and liquid-impermeable inner bag that is incorporated in this outer bag and holds at least one end of said absorptive body.

13. (Previously Presented) The absorptive product, according to claim 12, wherein said inner bag has a folded portion that can evaginate.

14. (Previously Presented) The absorptive product, according to claim 13, wherein said outer bag further has an opening to allow parts of said folded portion of said inner bag to evaginate out of said outer bag.

15. (Previously Presented) The absorptive product, according to claim 2, wherein a dislocation prevention member is further provided between said absorptive body and said sheet, to prevent said absorptive body from dislocating against said sheet.

16. (Previously Presented) The absorptive product, according to claim 2, wherein a pair of elastic members are further provided along the right and left side edges of said sheet, joined in a stretched state to both the right and left side edges of this applicable sheet.

17. (Previously Presented) The absorptive product, according to claim 1, wherein said absorptive body has a non-woven substrate in a sheet form and multiple liquid-absorbing portions coated on this non-woven substrate at prescribed intervals.

18. (Previously Presented) The absorptive product, according to claim 1, wherein said absorptive body contains 50 to 95% by weight of SAP.

19. (Previously Presented) The absorptive product, according to claim 1, wherein said absorptive body has a hydrodisintegrative characteristic.

20. (Previously Presented) A method of producing an absorptive product, according to claim 14, wherein the method of producing the absorptive product involves a step to form a pair of width-directional straight-line crenas along both side edges of the single sheet material to make an opening on each side of this single sheet material, a step to fold said single sheet material in the width direction in such a manner to include said pair of crenas in the folded portion, and a step to form a trap portion by joining the overlapping width-directional side edges of said folded single sheet material.

21. (Previously Presented) An inner bag used for an absorptive product, according to claim 13, wherein it has a folded portion comprising a first pair of folded portions, one each on the right and left, formed by folding the right side and left side of the rectangular sheet toward the center, a second folded portion formed by folding the bottom end of said sheet upward, a third folded portion formed by folding the top end of this second folded portion downward, and a hanger tape each of whose both ends is joined to the center of this third folded portion and the center of the top part of said sheet.

22. (Previously Presented) A method of producing an inner bag, according to claim 21, wherein it has a step to form a first pair of folded portions, one each on the right and left, by folding the right side and left side of the rectangular sheet toward the center, a step to form a second folded portion by folding the bottom end of said sheet upward, a step to form a third folded portion by folding the top end of this second folded portion downward, and a step to join both ends of a hanger tape each to the center of this third folded portion and the center of the top part of said sheet.

23. (Previously Presented) Underpants, having a fitting section to which an absorptive product according to claim 1 is fitted, in such a manner that it is detachable.

24. (Previously Presented) Underpants, having an absorptive product according to claim 1 and a fitting section to which this absorptive product is fitted, in such a manner that it is detachable.

25. (Currently Amended) The underpants, according to claim 23, wherein said fitting section is provided at least inside said underpants.

26. (Previously Presented) The underpants, according to claim 23, wherein said underpants are of a plain knit product.

27. (Previously Presented) Underpants, having an absorptive body holding section to detachably hold the absorptive body that can absorb and retain a liquid and a flexible and liquid-impermeable trap portion to temporarily trap the liquid that is to be absorbed by this absorptive body.

28. (Previously Presented) Underpants, having an absorptive body that can absorb and retain a liquid, an absorptive body holding section to detachably hold this absorptive body and a flexible and liquid-impermeable trap portion to temporarily trap the liquid that is to be absorbed by this absorptive body.

29. (Previously Presented) The underpants, according to claim 27 wherein said trap portion has an opening facing the inner surface of said underpants.

30. (Previously Presented) The underpants, according to claim 29, wherein said opening is extended along said absorptive body in a longitudinal direction.

31. (Previously Presented) The underpants, according to claim 27, wherein said trap portion is positioned on both sides of the crotch portion of the underpants.

32. (Previously Presented) The underpants, according to claim 27 wherein said trap portion has an opening into which at least one end of said absorptive body is inserted.

33. (Previously Presented) The underpants, according to claim 27, wherein said absorptive body has a non-woven substrate in a sheet form and multiple liquid-absorbing portions coated on this non-woven substrate at prescribed intervals.

34. (Previously Presented) The underpants, according to claim 27, wherein said absorptive body contains 50 to 95% by weight of SAP.

35. (Previously Presented) The underpants, according to claim 28, wherein a backup sheet and a guiding sheet are further provided, said guiding sheet is positioned between said absorptive body and said backup sheet, at least one end of said guiding sheet is located inside said trap portion, and urine is trapped in said trap portion and is guided by said guiding sheet to said absorptive body, to be absorbed by said absorptive body.

36. (Previously Presented) The absorptive product according to claim 1 wherein said pocket is formed of said backup sheet, a trap sheet, and a seal therebetween.